

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA

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AMENDMENT TO ITEM NO. 19

I share Supervisor Knabe's concern that the Sheriff's current Early Release Program reduces the amount of time served by an inmate without taking into account their past criminal history. Also, the potential for recidivist behavior of these inmates must be considered. A better understanding of the population of inmates that are eligible for Early Release is needed, and we must determine if the identification of Early Release inmates can be merged with the newly implemented Sheriff's housing and classification system. This system identifies the most violent inmates so that appropriate housing assignments are made.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the report includes a more comprehensive analysis of the demographics of the inmates serving reduced sentences under the Sheriff's Early Release Program, with special attention focused on recidivism. The report should be submitted within 30 days, and should include recommendations on merging the identification of Early Release inmates with the housing and classification system, and how the department can identify potential recidivists.

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